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OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

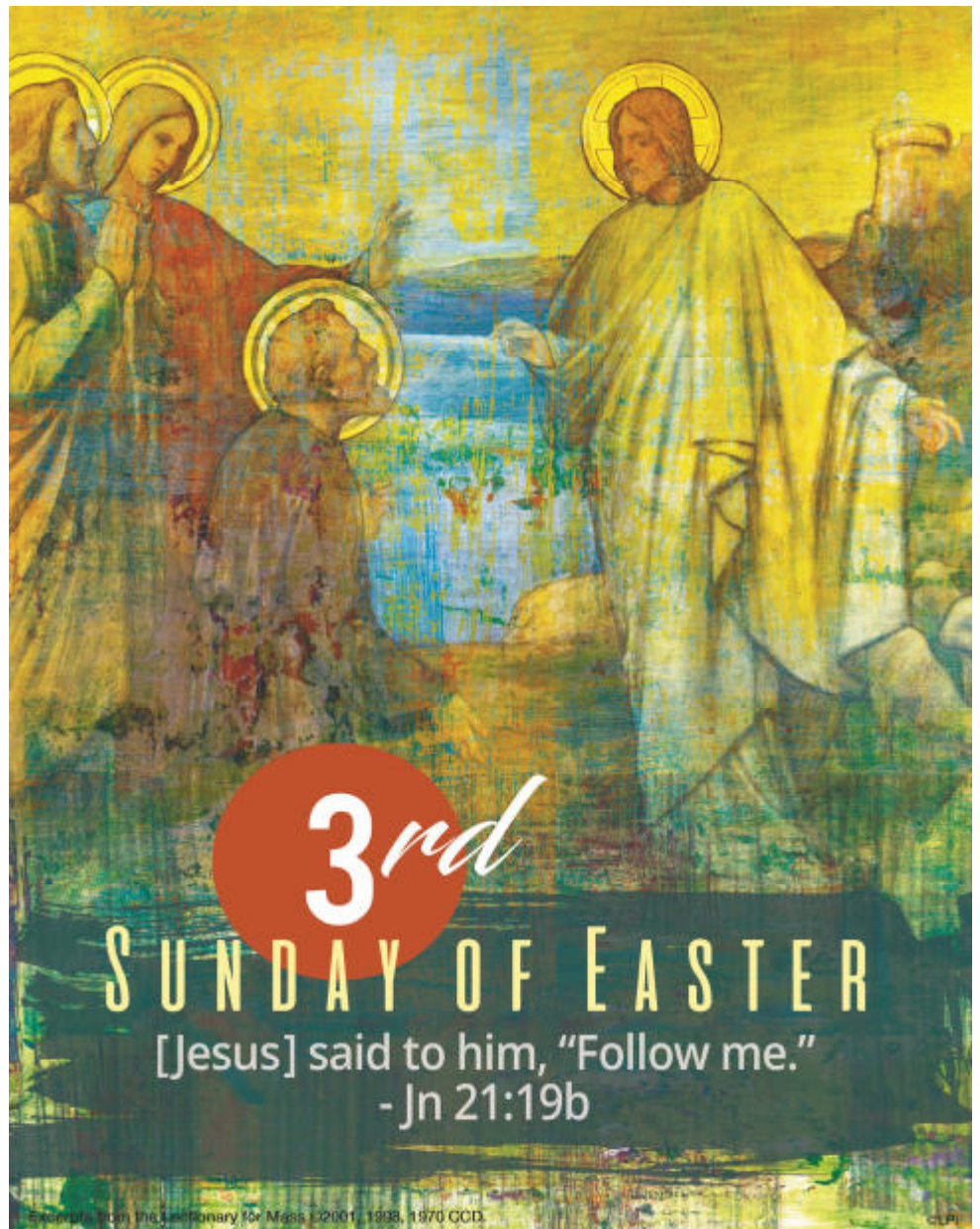
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m.
and 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS

Monday, Tuesday, Friday:
9:15 a.m.
Thursday Evening: 7:00 p.m.

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.



SAVE THE DATE
Vacation Bible School
June 24th – June 28th

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS



MAY 6 - MAY 10

Monday 9:15 AM
John A. Menner
 Requested by Pat and Kathryn

Tuesday 9:15 AM
Nancy Croitori
 Requested by Croitori Family

Wednesday
 No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM
Beeler Family
 Requested by Croitori Family

Friday 9:15 AM
Dobbs, Kemp, Trayer,
Robrecht and Goderman Families
 Requested by C. Kemp

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: ACTS 6:8-15/PS 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1AB]/JN 6:22-29
TUESDAY: ACTS 7:51--8:1A/PS 31:3CD-4, 6 AND 7B AND 8A, 17 AND 21AB [6A]/JN 6:30-35
WEDNESDAY: ACTS 8:1B-8/PS 66:1-3A, 4-5, 6-7A [1]/JN 6:35-40
THURSDAY: ACTS 8:26-40/PS 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/JN 6:44-51
FRIDAY: ACTS 9:1-20/PS 117:1BC, 2 [MK 16:15]/JN 6:52-59
SATURDAY: ACTS 9:31-42/PS 116: 12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/JN 6:60-69
NEXT SUNDAY: ACTS 13:14, 43-52/PS 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3C]/RV 7:9, 14B-17/JN 10:27-30

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 (FOR A LIST OF DAILY READINGS: GO TO [HTTP://WWW.USCCB.ORG/NAB](http://www.usccb.org/nab))

Offertory Snapshot

Actual Offertory for Weekend of April 21	\$ 16,483.00
Budget Offertory for Weekend of April 21	\$ 9,096.00
Year-to-Date Actual Offertory as of April 21	\$417,537.00
Year-to-Date Budget Offertory as of April 21	\$391,128.00

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE!

When you are looking for Mass Times or other special events at St. Gerald, please visit our website at www.stgeraldparish.org.

**ON-LINE CSA INSTRUCTIONS
 ARE ON PAGE 5 OF THE BULLETIN**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 12, 2019

5:00 PM		May 11 Fr. Roodbeen	
For Julia Pavco & Bernice Kaye Requested by Joseph Pavco	Lectors/ Ushers	Monica Murone 5:00B	
8:30 AM		May 12 Fr. Roodbeen	
For All Our Parishioners	Lector/ Ushers	Ray Pisani 8:30B	
10:15 AM		May 12 Fr. Kaiser	
For Richard & Patricia Meyers Requested by Josephine Meyers	Lector/ Ushers	Caron Kott 10:15A	
12:00 PM		May 12 Fr. Kaiser	
For Anna Iadipaolo Requested by Levine Family	Lector/ Ushers	Sharon McCarthy 12:00A	

Church Cleaning Schedule for Next Week

May 11 and May 12

Team A

Team #3 is scheduled for Botsford Commons Sunday, May 12 following the 8:30 AM Mass.

ST. GERALD ONLINE GIVING

Online Giving of Donations through Simple Give is available. Please visit our Parish Website at stgeraldparish.org and click on [Online Giving](#) to get started or pick up the instruction sheets on the bookcase in the gathering space of the church. Thank you for your continued support of St. Gerald Parish.



**Vicariate Bible Study
 at St. Gerald Parish
 Beginning September 11 from
 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM
 With Fr. David Santoro
 Studying the
 Gospel of Matthew**

HEALING SERVICE

at St. Gerald Parish with Fr. Aniello Salicone provided by Marian Peace Center
 Friday, May 10
 7:00 PM Mass followed by talk and Healing Service
 Contact Margaret Williams at 248-477-0767 for questions.

First Communion Mass



Last Sunday, St. Gerald had its' First Communion Mass. We congratulate the students as they continue on their faith journey.



A huge thank you goes out to all who provided some kind of desert or other form of food for the reception after the First Communion Mass. It was a wonderful way to conclude the celebration. In a special way, I would like to thank all the wonderful volunteers who gave of their time to help at the reception. We couldn't have done it without you!



Mark your calendars! This year our St. Gerald picnic will be held on **Sunday, June 9th** following the Noon Mass. As always, we will need many volunteers to make this a success. In the coming weeks, you will see a signup sheet for the picnic at the main entrance of the church. Please sign up in the area of interest to you. If you have any questions, please call the Christian Service Office at 248-476-7677, ext. 204.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Baccalaureate Mass

Are you graduating this spring? If so, please come celebrate this special event at St. Gerald on Sunday, June 2nd at the Baccalaureate Mass and breakfast. The celebration will take place during the 10:15 Mass, with the blessing of graduates. Breakfast will follow the Mass in the social hall. Please call the Christian Service office at 248-476-7677, ext. 204 to reserve your spot.

Pray for our Sick:

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|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Pam Akey | Monica Koenig | George Walch |
| Bonnie Haun | Doug Foley | Yolanda Fenech |
| Phyllis Marek | Tim O'Brien | Kimberly Thompson |
| Ralph Wenski | Shel Levine | Erin Malloy |
| Jim Sockow | Joyce LaMarra | Wanda Reiner |
| Rose Hickey | John MacDougall | Joan Goniea |
| Roberta Provenzano | Christine Godbey | Nancy Kolliker |



Let us welcome our newest members to St. Gerald:

Mary Morrison
and
Richard and Cynthia Sturtz



Upcoming Events . . .

Picnic game volunteers for our annual parish picnic on **June 9th** from **1-4 PM**, can sign up on the teen bulletin board at the main church entrance.

Our **Vacation Bible School** will run from **June 24 - 28 (Monday -Friday) 10:15 AM-12:45 PM**. Volunteers should plan to arrive by 10:00 AM, and stay until 1:00 PM. Crew Leaders, Kitchen Helpers, Game Crew, Craft and Drama Helpers are needed. Planning and decoration help needed the week before. Contact Gerryana if you are available.

C.A.R.E.S. of Farmington Hills has Food Pantry and Youth United (interfaith teen group) volunteer opportunities - **Summer youth work camp** volunteers will help create a reflection garden, vegetable garden, and other jobs of painting and building repairs during the week of **July 29th through August 2nd, 2019**. Go to <http://caresfh.org/> or contact Gerryanna for details. Or, email Karen Linnell at klinnell@sbcglobal.net

Holy Fire Great Lakes - Catholic Teen Event will be on **Sunday, October 13th** from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM (doors open at 9 AM) at The Stroh Center, Bowling Green State University, Ohio. This is a middle school event that will include music concert, speakers and end with Mass celebration. \$35 per person. (We will leave St. Gerald at 8 AM - return at 6 PM). Go to <http://nfcym.org/holyfiregreatlakes> for more information.

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Join *Widowed Friends*, a peer support group, Wednesday, May 15, 5:30 - 9:00 PM, Dinner/Support/Games, at G. Subu's Leather Bottle 20300 Farmington Rd (1 block south of 8 Mile Road) in Livonia for 'Family Style' dinner, dessert, tax and tip for only \$20. RSVP by May 6th to Carol O. at 313-562-3080.

SIGN OF CONTRADICTION

A FILM ON ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Thursday, June 6 at the Redford Theater - DOORS OPEN at 7 PM - Tickets are \$7 online pre-sale and \$10 at the door.

St. Francis is one of the most beloved saints in the world, but do we really know him? When the world saw him as a fool, he stood as a sign of contradiction. This new film presents St. Francis as a real person, not a characterization of an animal-loving saint from a distant time. Francis was a man who, like us, searched for purpose and meaning and was often times left empty. It wasn't until he encountered Jesus Christ that his darkness and confusion were replaced with light and peace. Watch the trailer. Music begins at 7 PM, 8 PM showtime and 9 PM talk and Q&A with nationally known speaker, Fr. Dave Pivonka

<https://redfordtheatre.com/events/sign-of-contradiction-a-film-on-st-francis-of-assisi/>

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Instructions for CSA On-line Giving


CREATING A DONOR ACCOUNT

An Online Giving Account should be created to have the ability to set-up recurring donations, pledges and be able to view and print history. Setting up an account will also allow you to set-up payment methods that can be used for future donations. An email address can only be used once per Online Giving URL.

- Step 1 Go to <http://stgerald.aodcsa.org>
- Step 2 Click on the **Create New Account link** or sign in with last year's information.
- Step 3 Fill out information for New User Account – First Name, Last Name, etc.
- Step 4 When finished filling information out Click **Enter Credentials**
- Step 5 Create User ID and Password. **(If you gave on-line last year, you can use last year's ID and Password)**
- Step 6 Click the Create Account button. You will receive email confirmation that your account has been created.

Complete Online Giving Users Guide can be found under <http://stgerald.aodcsa.org>

We appreciate your support of the CSA Program here at St. Gerald. Every donation, no matter how big or how small, helps us to reach our goal. If you are unable to donate at this time, please return your pledge card indicating you are unable to make a donation to CSA this year. Above are instructions on how to give electronically, if this is your method of contribution that you choose. If you are paying by check or are pledging to make scheduled payments, please return your CSA card by mail in the envelope provided, or drop it off in the Sunday collection basket or in the Parish Office. Thank You!

SAMPLE CSA CARD-PLEASE RETURN ENTIRE CARD			
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ABOVE IS A SAMPLE OF THE CSA CARD. WHETHER YOU CHOOSE TO DONATE ON-LINE OR MAKE OTHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR PAYMENT, **PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ENTIRE CARD MUST BE RETURNED TO THE PARISH OFFICE IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED.**

PLEASE *DISREGARD* THE COMMENT ON CSA CARD INDICATING YOU DO NOT NEED TO RETURN CARD WITH ON-LINE GIFTS.



Knights Corner

K of C Insurance Participation can Start with a \$300 Savings Plan, IRA with Guaranteed Rate also Available

Council Officers will meet Tuesday with the June 30th close of the 2018-19 fraternal year the major focus. The Council is lacking one new insurance participant to be considered a recipient of the coveted Star Council award, an honor the Council has won five times.

At the April Member Meeting, Insurance Field Agent Greg Bennett outlined some of the insurance products available, including a savings account with a lifetime minimum rate that can be started for as little as \$300. The K of C also offers IRAs with a guaranteed minimum rate. For details, contact Bennett at 248-884-4095.

Hospitality Chair Ken May will be at the stove before the May 21st Membership Meeting, conjuring up a New Orleans style pre-meeting dinner of sausage, red beans and rice. Chow is at 6:30 PM with the meeting starting as close to the usual 7 PM opening as practical.

We will be electing our officers for the 2019-20 fraternal year at that meeting. Prior to the voting, Election Chair Tom McPhail will again call for nominations which were opened at the April 16th Member Meeting. Nominated for re-election thus far are Grand Knight Dave Bednarski, DGK Frank Gariepy, Chancellor Terry Grabinski, Recorder Roger Stacey, Treasurer Rich Rosowski, Advocate Jerome Williams, Warden Patrick Rogers PGK, and Trustee Bill Croitori. Facing election for the first time are the nominees for the guard positions -- Jerry Weigold and Thom Seabolt.

Also at that meeting, helpers for the June 9th parish picnic will be sought. Included are a couple of Knights who will help DGK Frank Gariepy with the third annual corn hole tournament. Help is needed with setup, registration and scoring. Picnic duty covers a variety of tasks – tent setup Saturday morning and Sunday’s variety of tasks. Those including staffing the grill and beverage table, helping with the food line and helping with the teardown at the end of the day. As always, be sure to wear your council shirt. As we show parishioners that we support the parish, they will be more apt to support us.

Don’t forget to come a few minutes early to the May 16th annual Memorial Mass where we will honor the council’s deceased members. The plan is for Knights to process into Church as a group, hence the early show up. You are encouraged to bring your spouse/significant other to the mass and to the reception to follow. Your Council shirt or business attire with the Council badge is the dress of the day.

ST. GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

Office Hours

9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Monday thru Thursday. Closed Friday.
(secretary at lunch 12:00 pm—12:30 pm)

STAFF

Parish Office (248) 477-7470

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Tom Kruger

Accountant

Kim Shepard

SACRAMENTS

Rite of Reconciliation:

Saturdays from 3:30-4:30PM

Sacrament of the Sick:

Please call the office.

Baptism:

Please be aware that first time parents must attend a short baptism prep class prior to the baptism of their child. Arrangements for baptism may be made by calling the Parish Office.

Matrimony:

St. Gerald Parish is pleased to marry registered parishioners and their children. Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of the wedding date. Please call the Parish Office.

Registration of new members:

Please see Fr. Kris after Mass or call the Parish Office. Registration forms are located on the shelf in the classroom hallway and the gathering space of the church for your convenience. After you fill it out, just give it to Fr. Kris or drop it off in the Parish Office. Thank you!

RCIA: Would you or someone you know want to become a full member of the Catholic Church? Please call Fr. Kris (248) 477-7470 for more information.

WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. GERALD CATHOLIC PARISH!

If you are new to the area, we look forward to meeting you personally. If you have not been active in the practice of the Catholic faith, we encourage you to return. If a previous marriage has kept you from receiving the Sacraments, we invite you to call the rectory at 248-477-7470. In many cases, Fr. Kris can work with you to find a favorable solution.

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St. Gerald Roman Catholic Church is a welcoming, inclusive parish striving to be a reflection of Christ. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we are dedicated to strengthening our faith through reverent and uplifting worship, serving those in need, and living the fullness of the Gospel with all God’s people.

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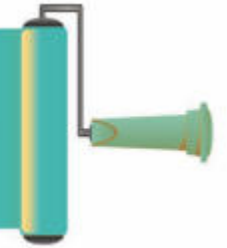
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